

PLAS Program Management Center
Defense Contract Management Command

PLAS - O - GRAM <98-04> New PBP Process & SFA Program Codes

PLAS Acronym Savants,

New PLAS Process Code 147 for Performance-Based Payments (PBPs). The new OneBook chapter 4.5.3 outlines the provisions in the Federal Acquisition Streamlining Act of 1994 for the use of performance based payments as an alternative to progress payments.

This new OneBook chapter outlines the processing of performance-based payments for Non-Commercial purchases. Performance-based payments are contract financing payments, not payments for accepted items. Performance-based payments may be made when performance is measured by objectives, quantifiable methods or accomplishments of defined events.

DCMC is responsible for administering payments under performance-based contracts. The Government seeks to influence contract performance and delivery by offering this form of contract financing to enhance the contractor's cash flow. See the on-line help screens for a task list and AQO Policy Letter 96-02 for further details.

This new process code already appears in your PLAS process menu.

Senior Functional Analysts (SFA) now have three new Program codes. Effective 1 March 1998, three new program codes for SFA use will appear in the PLAS Program code menu.

NSFA1, SFA Assistance, is used when HQ, District or CAO SFAs are:

- Providing functional assistance to senior management
- Resolving functional issues elevated to higher HQ
- Providing data and tools to other SFA staff
- Maintaining data libraries
- Furnishing technical assistance and expertise
- Advising on IDP, course development
- Responding to constituent questions and requests
- Providing formal training
- Advising management

NSFA2, SFA Analysis, is used when HQ, District or CAO SFAs are:

- Identifying skill/training needs
- Assessing competencies of functional community
- Analysis of IOARs, IG, GAO, etc.
- Developing solutions to operational adversities
- Assessing health of functional population
- Evaluating Metrics and other
- Identifying high risk areas/ prioritizing actions
- Analysis of customer feedback data
- Referring systemic problems to appropriate level

NSFA3, SFA Functional Management, is used when HQ, District, CAO SFAs are:

- Maintaining currency in trade & industry trends
- Staying abreast of acquisition policy
- Participating in professional organizations
- Associating with DoD and industry counterparts
- Developing/maintaining training matrixes
- Evaluating currency of position classification data
- Performing DCMC representational duties

Please contact us with any questions at 1-888-PLASINFO or **PLASHELP@dcmdc.dla.mil**.

Respectfully,

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